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The arrangement of this work on Probate Law, the division of subjects and sub-divisions, and the general clearness of statement, together with the mechanical work, make it worthy of commendation.

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A SELECTION OF CASES ILLUSTRATING EQUITY PLEADING AND PRACTICE WITH DEFINITIONS AND RULES OF THE UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT RELATING THERETO. By E. RICHARD SHIPP and JOHN B. DAISH. Washington: John Byrne & Co. 1901.

This work consists of a short concise statement of the principal rules of equity pleading, followed by a short statement of the more general rules governing the jurisdiction of a court of equity. Ninety-nine hundredths of the book however is a reprint of the rules of the United States Supreme Court relating to equity practice. Interspersed with this reprint of the rules are illustrative cases. These cases are well selected. The introductory matter dealing with equity pleading and jurisdiction, while carefully done, is of no practical value. There is reprinted as an appendix the ordinances made by Lord Chancellor Bacon governing equity practice. A good index adds much to the practical value of the work.

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COMMERCIAL TRUSTS, THE GROWTH AND RIGHTS OF AGGREGATED CAPITAL. Being an Argument Delivered Before the Industrial Commission at Washington, D. C., December 12, 1899. By JOHN R. DOS PASSOS. New York and London: G. P. Putnam's Sons. 1901.

This is not a legal work. The author's knowledge of law, however, enables him to handle his subject in a way which would be impossible to one who was not a trained lawyer. The work contains 137 small pages and should be read by all who desire to obtain a clear statement of the argument of those who desire that the state should not at present, at least, attempt to regulate or interfere in any way with aggregations of capital. As the author does not deny the state's rights of interference or regulation if necessary for the public welfare, his argument that such interference or regulation is unnecessary and unwise, is entitled to more weight than if he discussed the question from a legal and technical point of view.